

Notice of Allowability

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1. This communication is responsive to an application filed 2/27/04.
2. The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-21.
3. The drawings filed on 27 February 2004 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) All
 - b) Some* - c) Noneof the:
 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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5. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
6. CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
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 - (b) including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
7. DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date 2/27/04
4. Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____.
7. Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. Other _____.

Reasons for Allowance

1. Claims 1-21 are allowed as the prior art does not teach or suggest the applicant's invention. Independent claim 1 teaches a disk drive with a disk having a plurality of servo burst fields. The distinguishing elements of the claim include: a first normal burst field; a first quadrature burst field, a portion of the first quadrature burst field being circumferentially contiguous with the first normal burst field and spanning a portion of a radial extent of the first normal burst field; a second normal burst field, the second normal burst field being radially aligned with and away from the first normal burst field, the second normal burst field spanning a portion of a radial extent of the first quadrature burst field, and a second quadrature burst field, the second quadrature burst field being radially aligned with and away from the first quadrature burst field, the second quadrature burst field spanning a portion of a radial extent of the second normal burst field, wherein the first normal burst field and the first quadrature burst field have a same first phase, the second normal burst field and the second quadrature burst field have a same second phase, the first phase being different than the second phase.

Independent claim 10 teaches a disk drive with a disk having a plurality of servo burst fields. The distinguishing elements of the claim include: a first normal burst field; a first quadrature burst field, a portion of the first quadrature burst field being circumferentially contiguous with the first normal burst field and spanning a portion of a radial extent of the first normal burst field; a second normal burst field, the second normal burst field being radially aligned with and away from the first normal burst field, the second normal burst field spanning a portion of a radial extent of the first quadrature

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burst field, and a second quadrature burst field, the second quadrature burst field being radially aligned with and away from the first quadrature burst field, the second quadrature burst field spanning a portion of a radial extent of the second normal burst field, wherein the first normal burst field has a first phase and the second normal burst field has a second phase that is different than the first phase, and wherein the first quadrature burst field has a third phase and the second quadrature burst field has a fourth phase that is different than the third phase.

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Mitchell R Slavitt whose telephone number is (703) 305-2809. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F (6:30-4:00), 2nd Friday off.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, David R Hudspeth can be reached on (703) 308-4825. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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